

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action mailed March 21, 2005, Applicant submits the following:

The Examiner stated that claims 1-24 and 36-61 contain different species. Applicant respectfully disagrees. The basic structure of a transistor is defined, for example, in claim 1. Additional structural elements, such as a substrate via or a sinker structure, can be added to this general transistor structure. Thus, the dependent claims include further developments of the transistor structure as claimed in claim 1. The other independent claims refer to the same basic structure including different coupling structures. Thus, Applicant traverses that the application contains different species. In case the Examiner disagrees, Applicant provisionally elects Embodiment 1 described in Figs. 2-3D


Applicants specifically reserve the right to prosecute other claims at a later date in divisional applications.

Applicants do not believe that any other fees are due at this time; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to this document, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct the fees from Deposit Account No. 02-0383, (*formerly Baker & Botts, L.L.P.*) Order Number 068736.0230.

If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference or an interview would advance prosecution of this Application in any manner, the undersigned agent for Applicant stands ready to conduct such a conference at the convenience of the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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